

**Community Development Committee
Regular Meeting
March 18, 2005 – 8:30 a.m.
Tribal Office Board Room**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call-

Committee Chairman Ken A. Fish called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m. Those present: Bernard Vigue, Dave Corn, Dave Grignon, Pat Corn, Jim Horton, and Rick Warrington. Robert Lyons and Susan Waukau were absent. Also present for the meeting was, Lew Boyd, Rob Orcutt, Joseph & Dorothy Martin, Curt Evans and Curt Corbeille.

2. Moment of Silence-A moment of silence was observed.

3. Review Minutes Dated February 18, 2005-

Motion made by Bernard Vigue to approve the minutes dated February 18, 2005. Motion was seconded by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bernard Vigue to skip #4 of the agenda and move to #5. Motion was seconded by Dave Grignon. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.

5. Martin Lease Request-

Bernie explained that Joseph & Dorothy Martin are in the process of building a new house and are looking for a lot in Keshena and do not want to build on any of the lots that are currently available. One area that has been discussed with the Housing Department for future Housing Project Homes is along Joe Summers Road. The area that the Martin's would like to build on is along the Joe Summers Road. Bernie informed the committee that the land is in sustained yield right now and if it is to be a part of the future housing sites that the committee should recommend to the Menominee Tribal Legislature that the whole area be taken out of sustained yield.

Jim Horton arrived at 8:40 a.m.

Rick Warrington arrived at 8:43 a.m.

Motion made by Bernard Vigue to recommend to the Menominee Tribal Legislature the extraction of the area (Joe Summers Road) from Sustained Yield and that Bernard Vigue will contact Forestry and that all environmental and archeological studies on the area be done. Motion was seconded by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 6-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

6. Pick-Up Truck Purchase-

Bernie Vigue informed the committee that Community Development needs a new truck. The money will first come from a loan from Loan Fund and will pay the debt over life of the Roads Maintenance Contract and will have it paid off in 2 years. In order to go through the process, Community Development needs committee and Legislative approval.

Motion made by Jim Horton to authorize ordinance/resolution for indebtedness for Community Development to purchase a new truck. Motion was seconded by Pat Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 6-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

7. Economic Development Committee Status-

No action was taken; committee will discuss the issue at the next meeting.

8. Easement Discussion-

Motion made by Dave Corn to table. Motion was seconded by Dave Grignon. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 6-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

9. Committee Goals & Objectives-

No action taken, committee will discuss the issue at the next meeting.

10. Updates-

A). Tax Exempt Gas-

Committee went into a lengthy discussion regarding tax exempt gas. Bernie put together a start up plan for a Generic One Grade Unattended Gas Station. The start up cost would be around \$172,000 and committee went into a lengthy discussion on where the money could come from. Jim Horton stated that Housing could loan the money with an interest rate of 1 or 2% but the tribe would have to pay the penalties on liquidating the CD. Bernie stated that if the Menominee Tribal Legislature approves the concept the station could be up and running in two months and the location would be on the Go Around Road by Transportation.

Motion made by Dave Corn to authorize Bernard Vigue to proceed with the One Grade Unattended Gas Station Concept according to concept paper and that funding be sought through the Housing Department, all the archeological and environmental studies be done on the proposed area be done and that the tribe waive the competitive bidding process & to negotiate with US Petroleum Equipment for installation purchase cost. Motion was seconded by Jim Horton. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 1-opposed (Pat Corn), 2-absent. Motion carried.

Curt Corbeille and Curt Evans were present from US Petroleum/Halron Oil to give the committee a presentation. Mr. Corbeille and Mr. Evans both said they

would be able to meet with Bernie and whoever else on the project who may have questions.

B). WIC/C-Store-

Lew Boyd brought information to the committee that Kenah Macem store in Neopit may be up for sale and the tribe might consider buying it. Chairman Fish stated that he didn't want to discuss the issue because it wasn't posted on the agenda. If more information is supplied it will be on the next agenda.

Chairman Fish would like a report on why the Food Distribution Department can't sell WIC.

C). Recreation Lease Policy & Procedures-

Bernie stated that they are still being worked on and he might have a draft for the committee at the next meeting.

11. Other Business-

Bernie stated that he would like to have a special meeting set to discuss the Transportation Plan. A date will be set within the next couple of weeks.

12. Adjournment-

Motion made by Jim Horton to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Dave Grignon. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 6-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Legislative Staff Services